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Mayor's corner

Thanks go to Tigard voters and library bond supporters who passed the library bond ballot measure in May. Now, the work begins on the construction planning phase!

We plan to open the new library Summer 2004. Our next step is to select an architect to work with a construction committee and staff. Our desire is to: make sure the design includes the latest technology, make the best use of the site and stay on schedule and within budget.

About half of the site is in the Fanno Creek floodplain. We are investigating what can be done to enhance this area and to provide educational opportunities about wetland plants and animals. We would also like to extend the Fanno Creek Trail through the area.

Many people have asked what will happen to the existing library space. The plan is to convert it to city offices and relocate staff that are currently spread out among several buildings to this more centralized location. This consolidation will provide citizens with improved access to city government and will make it easier for staff to communicate with one another.

Im Griffith Mayor

You're invited to an Old Fashioned 4th of July Celebration

The Tigard 4th of July, Inc. presents the 16th Annual Tigard 4th of July Celebration!

Where: Tigard High School Football Field at

9000 SW Durham Road

When: Thursday, July 4 — Gates open at 6 p.m. with fireworks at dusk

What: A family event featuring

• Clowns, live music, kids' games, police and fire vehicles

• Concession stands offering light snacks for sale

(No alcohol, personal fireworks or smoking allowed)

This community event is made possible through the contributions of the Cities of Tigard, Durham, Tualatin, and King City; Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue, The Tigard-Tualatin School District; and donations from businesses and YOU. If you have questions, please call Mike Marr at 503-624-2975. See you there!

New library on its way after Tigard voters pass bond measure

With Tigard voters saying a resounding "yes" to a new library in the May election, the city is on the road to construction. City officials have begun the process to build a 47,000-square-foot library on a 14.7-acre site near Hall Blvd. and O'Mara Street.

"With their decisive votes for both schools and libraries, Tigard residents defied the trends and predictions of voter apathy," said Library Director Margaret Barnes. "They have shown that they are willing to invest in the future of their children and their community."

The final vote showed a 60 percent approval rate for the new library. With

54 percent of Tigard voters returning ballots, the Tigard electorate also countered a statewide trend and gained the double majority needed to pass the bond.

The construction process is estimated to take 18 to 24 months. During the next few months, city officials will sell bonds, purchase the property, complete site studies and begin the competitive process to hire an architect. The library will also initiate a public information program to update the public throughout the construction process. As the project proceeds, look for updates on the city's web site, in Cityscape, and at the library.

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CITY MEETING SCHEDULE:

City Council

2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall

Library Board

2nd Thursday, 7 p.m. Library Puett Room

Planning Commission

1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m. Town Hall

Intergovernmental Water Board

2nd Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Tigard Water Building

CIT Agenda



CIT - Citizen Involvement Team Grassroots, Neighborhood-Based

The July 3 CIT Meeting has been canceled.

The next CIT Meeting will be taped August 1, 2002 at 10 a.m. in the Town Hall at City Hall.

Anytime you have questions, CIT agenda topic suggestions or CIT program ideas, send an email to *citmail@ci.tigard.or.us*. It's checked daily and you will get a response!

Tigard City Council meetings air ...

Live on the second and fourth

• Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Replays on the second and fourth

- Tuesday at 11 p.m.
- Friday at 7 and 11 p.m.
- Saturday at 2 p.m.
- Sunday at 10 a.m.
- Sunday at 9 p.m.

Replays on the first and third

Monday at 10 a.m.

Replays on the first and fourth

• Thursday at 7 p.m.

All programs are on Channel 22/28.

For questions about programming, contact TVTV Programming Coordinator, Kris Merkel (kris@yourtvtv.org) or at 503-629-8534, ext. 124.

Help your neighbors. Be a mediator!

Tigard participates with Beaverrton to provide mediation services.

The Beaverton Dispute Resolution Center is recruiting local residents interested in serving as volunteer mediators, assisting with case intake and program development. The Dispute Resolution Center provides volunteers with training and experience in conflict resolution and mediation. Individuals interested in applying may contact the Dispute Resolution Center at 503-526-2523 for an application.

Deadline for applications is July 10, 2002.





Sewer rates to increase 2.5%

Clean Water Services, a special service district, is a public utility providing sanitary sewer services to nearly 450,000 residents of Washington County and surrounding areas. The district seeks to protect rivers and streams through the operation of four wastewater treatment plants, flood management projects, stream enhancement projects, fish habitat preservation and river flow management.

It is Clean Water Services' goal to absorb most –if not all- cost increases through the use of new technologies, streamlining methods and reorganization of its workforce. However, with the agency's power costs up by more than \$1 million, coupled with an increase in federal regulatory requirements, a sanitary sewer rate increase of 2.5 percent, or about 65 cents per month for the average household, is necessary to help offset increasing costs. Despite continued inflationary pressure and the addition of nearly 100,000 residents to the district's service area, this is only the second rate increase since 1996. For a detailed comparison of sewer rates around the northwest, visit the "Budget-in-Brief" page of Clean Water Services' web site at www.cleanwaterservices.org.

The new rate will take effect on July 1, 2002 and will affect Tigard and 11 other Washington County cities and the urban unincorporated area. The Clean Water Services' \$4-a-month surface water management fee will remain the same.

For more information, contact Clean Water Services at 503-846-8621.

Tualatin Valley Community Band

Take in a free concert at Cook Park on Sunday, July 28, 3 p.m., at the Bishop Scheckla Pavilion. Listen to an eclectic selection of favorites from John Philip Sousa to Star Wars.

Bring your blanket and picnic basket and come enjoy another great reason to live in Tigard.

Broadway Rose Theatre Company

Now showing . . . The Will Rogers Follies – playing through July 14. This lavish production features fabulous dancing and the comedy of the legendary man himself. Performances are held at the Deb Fennell Auditorium, 9000 SW Durham Road, Tigard.

To purchase tickets, or for more information on this and other summer performances, visit the Broadway Rose web site at *www.bwayrose.com*.

Tigard Police obtain grant to help offset costs of bulletproof vests

The Tigard Police Department will receive up to 50 percent of the cost of providing bulletproof vests to its officers as a result of the "Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program." The funding will reimburse the Police Department for vests purchased as far back as 1999 until a cap of \$10,600 is reached. The grant program is administered through the Bureau of Justice Administration, a division of the Department of Justice.

Each year, officers' lives are saved as a result of bulletproof vests. Unfortunately, some law enforcement agencies regard bulletproof vests as "optional" equipment. This grant is designed to help agencies defray the cost of this all-important piece of safety equipment, and to encourage more agencies to make the vests mandatory.

The Tigard Police Department provides and requires its officers to wear bulletproof vests. The average cost of one vest is \$450.

Fireworks safety tips

The 4th of July is upon us...remember

- Use only legal fireworks and supervise children and teens at all times.
- Store fireworks, matches and lighters out of sight and reach of children.
- Use legal fireworks outdoors on a paved surface, far away from brush, wooded areas and dwellings.

Have a safe 4th!





Shelf 🖫 Life

News from the Tigard Library

"Don't Bug Me, I'm Reading!"

Preschool Stories & Crafts
Tuesdays, 10 to 10:30 a.m. We will
have a crawling good time with books
and buggy art! Children under 10
require grown-up helpers. All ages.

Pajama Party Family Story Time Wednesdays, 7 to 7:30 p.m. Come to the library in your PJs and enjoy books, songs and much more! Bring your favorite grown-up and your teddy bear. All ages.

Little People Story Time Thursdays, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Enjoy stories, songs and activities especially suited for our youngest library patrons and their grown-ups. Ages 3 and under. No program July 4.

Story Time Surprise Saturdays, 1 to 1:30 p.m. Bring your favorite grown-up and join us for activities each Saturday! All ages. Programs run through August 3.

Summer Reading on your own

Sign up at the library and get a Bug Hunt Reading Chart. Keep track of your reading all summer. When you come to a **BUG READING** on the chart, bring it to the reference desk at the library to choose a reward. When you finish, you'll receive a free book and a ticket to the Oaks Park Summer Finale August 14.

All programs held in the Puett Room.

Library Events Calendar

June 17-August 14		Summer Reading Program and Special Events at the library!
July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	10-10:30 a.m.	Preschool Story Time and Crafts-Puett Rm
July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	7-7:30 p.m.	Pajama Party Family Story Time-Puett Rm
July 4		Library Closed for Independence Day
July 6, 13, 20, 27	11 a.m. to noon	Computer Basics (Reg. in person 9:30-11 a.m. same day)
July 6, 13, 20, 27	1-1:30 p.m.	Saturday Story Time Surprise-Puett Rm
July 9	1-2 p.m.	Perception Deception (Reg. req'd/grades 6-12)-Puett Rm
July 10, 24	1:30-2:30 p.m.	Book Madness (Reg. req'd/grades 6-12)- Puett Rm
July 11, 18, 25	10-10:30 a.m.	Little People Story Time-Puett Rm
July 11	2-3 p.m.	BJ the Clown-Water Bldg.
July 11	7-8:30 p.m.	"Dealing with Guilt and Worry"-Puett Rm
July 12	6-8 p.m.	Friday Night Music-Puett Rm
July 17	1-2:30 p.m.	Outdoor Survival (Reg. req'd/grades 6-12)- Puett Rm
July 18	7-8 p.m.	The Reptile Man-Fanno Creek Park
July 23	1:30-3:30 p.m.	Paper Making (Reg. req'd/grades 6-12)- Puett Rm
July 25	2-3 p.m.	Tom Question Juggling-Water Bldg.
July 30	1:30-2:30 p.m.	Soap Making (Reg. req'd/grades 6-12)- Puett Rm

For more information on library programs, visit our web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us. All library programs are free. Some library programs require registration. To sign up, call 503-684-6537.

BJ the Clown and his Animated Ant-ics

This terrific clown brings a show filled with magic, juggling, music and lots of audience participation! BJ will stay after the show for autographs. BJ will be wearing some face makeup. Ages 3 and up. **Thursday, July 11, 2 to 3 p.m. Water Building Auditorium.** Sponsored by WCCLS.

The Reptile Man Slithers into the Night

Richard Ritchey and his amazing reptiles will take us on a journey through an often feared and misunderstood realm of natural science. Bring something comfy to sit on. **Thursday, July 18, 7 to 8 p.m., Fanno Creek Park, behind the library.** All ages.

Tom Question Juggling

An amazing display of acrobatic feats of stiltwalking and juggling laced with comedy! Join us for an adventure the whole family will enjoy. All ages. **Thursday**, **July 25**, **2 to 3 p.m.**, **Water Building Auditorium.** Sponsored by WCCLS.



Teen Summer Reading Program

Create, explore, discover and have fun!

Programs and events for teens grade 6 and up.

Summer Reading, the Teen Version

A summer of reading and reviewing. Stop by the library between now and August 12 to register as a book reviewer. Review as many books as you can during the summer and win loads of fun prizes. Read seven books this summer and get a free book and a ticket to the Oaks Park Summer Finale August 14!

Book Madness: A book group like no other!

Join us for good books, fun conversation and great snacks! Wednesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

• July 10: Tangerine

• July 24: Mr. Was

Titles available for check out at the reference desk. Ages 12-18. Registration required.

Funshops: It's not school, it's not work, it's FUN!

Perception Deception

Seeing is believing . . . or is it? Explore how the mind interprets what the eyes see. Watch as pictures change before your eyes. Experience optical illusions, see in 3-D and perceive color where there's none. Presented by OMSI.

Tuesday, July 9, 1-2 p.m. Grades 6-12. Registration required.

Outdoor Survival

Can you survive an afternoon at the library? Explore the area surrounding the library and learn what plants and bugs you could eat if you had to survive outside. Presented by Sarah Pinnock from Jackson Bottom Wetlands.

Wednesday, July 17, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Grades 6-12. Registration required.

Paper Making

Design your own paper from scratch. Amaze your friends and family with cool paper for letters, card, and gifts. Presented by Carrie Reeves. **Tuesday**, **July 23**, **1**:30-3:30 p.m. **Grades 6-12**. **Registration required**.

Soap Making

Have you ever wondered how soap is made? Discover simple ways you can make soap at home. Create your own soap shape and scent. Presented by Carrie Reeves. **Tuesday**, **July 30**, **1:30–2:30 p.m. Grades 6-12. Registration required**.

All programs will be held in the Puett Room.

Oregon donor program quilt

Between July 1 and July 12, visit the library's Puett Room to see the Oregon Donor Program Quilt. The various panels were created and quilted by organ donors and recipients to honor each other. The 5- by 8-foot quilt is on display during library hours.

What is That Noise?

"What is That Noise?" is the Friday Night Music at the library in July.

Guitar slingers Bill and Larry will entertain Friday, July 12, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the library's Puett Room. The duo plays a blend of classic tunes from the 60's and 70's and original music. The melodies are pleasant and you're encouraged to sing along! The performance is free and open to all ages.

Do guilt and worry plague your life, dog your steps?

Dealing with Guilt and Worry

Join Joseph E. Kurtright from JMK Counseling Inc. on Thursday, July 11, 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Puett Room for a discussion of how guilt and worry can impact your life. Learn how to transform these feelings into productive and positive actions. Joseph Kurtright is a marriage and family counselor and has practiced in the Portland area for 20 years.

Summer to-do list:

- 1. Pick up good books and movies
- 2. Have fun, meet new people
- 3. Learn new skills
- 4. Hang out in the air-conditioning on hot days

You can accomplish all this if you...

5. Volunteer at the library!

For more information, contact Volunteer Coordinator Trish Stormont at *trish@ci.tigard.or.us* or 503-684-6537.



Drinking water protection

Activities as harmless as washing the car, filling the pool, gardening and bathing the family pet can result in contaminants and pollutants being siphoned into our water supply. How does it happen? Anytime a garden hose is placed in a container with detergent, fertilizers or other non-drinkable substances, a cross connection can occur whereby these non-potable substances are drawn back into our drinking water.

The easiest way to prevent this hazard is to avoid placing hoses into non-drinkable fluids and install hose connection backflow preventers on outside faucets. These devices will guard against contamination or pollution from backflow. Hose connection backflow preventers are available at local plumbing stores.

For more information on preventing backflow, contact Hung Nguyen at *hung@ci.tigard.or.us* or 503-639-4171, ext. 2603.

Summer lawn reminders and perks

Your lawn only needs about an inch of water a week to stay healthy and green.

Here's how to figure out how much water your lawn is getting when you water:

- 1. Set out about five empty tuna cans (or rain gauges) within sprinkler range. Place some of the cans halfway between the sprinkler and the furthermost area to be reached by the water, and arrange other cans in areas that generally receive the least amount of sprinkler water.
- 2. Turn your sprinkler on for exactly 15 minutes.
- Use a ruler to measure the depth of the water in each can.
 Add the numbers together and divide by the number of cans to get the average water depth (in inches) of all the cans.
- Adjust your watering time accordingly until this experiment yields an average of one inch of water.

Never apply water at a faster rate than it can soak into the soil.

If water puddles or runs off your lawn when you water, shorten your watering time and water more often. For example, if you've been watering for 30 minutes per week, your new schedule might be to water for 10 minutes 3 times a week.

Take advantage of the Watersaver Landscape Rebate Program.

In June 2002, the City of Tigard introduced this program, which offers rebates for certain water-saving landscape services and products.

For more information on the Watersaver Landscape Rebate Program, or water conservation, contact Sara Danz at sara@ci.tigard.or.us or 503-639-4171, ext. 2599.

Recycling tip for the month!

Recycling block foam and reusing packing peanuts

Block Foam - White polystyrene block foam may be recycled at Tuscarora (formerly Marko Foam Products) in Wilsonville. Polystyrene block foam has the #6 imprinted in the middle of the recycling symbol and is typically used for shipping electronic equipment. ONLY clean and dry white block foam with the #6 is accepted. For questions, preparation information and directions call Tuscarora at 503-682-8719.

Peanuts - Packing peanuts can be easily reused. Consider either saving and repacking them into your next shipping box or taking them to a local mailing house. Look in the yellow pages under "mailbox rental & receiving" for a mailing house near you.



Intersection gets new milepost

Students of Fowler Middle School are to be congratulated on the creation of a new milepost at the intersection of Walnut and Tiedeman Streets.

Concerned that the traffic island looked bare, students of Fowler Middle School came up with the idea of a milepost with directions and distances to 11 locales – five in Tigard and six others around the world. They presented their plan to the Tigard City Council, the Tigard-Tualatin School Board, and Art Resources of Tigard. The students worked with the city's engineering staff to insure that the milepost complied with city codes. Students raised money for the pole and the falcon weathervane atop the pole. Why a falcon? That's the Fowler Middle School mascot!

Generous community donors contributed to the cost of the signs and turned the students' vision into a reality. Donors included the Tigard Area Historical & Preservation Association, Charles Kingston, Pat Keerins, the Tigard Breakfast Rotary Club, Washington Square Mall, Margaret Barnes, Marissa, Zoe and Bill Monahan, Jim Hendryx and Craig Prosser.

Many thanks to all who contributed to this project and congratulations to the Fowler Middle School students!

Volunteers make a big difference!

Randy Summers and Teddy Hamilton, Cub Scout pack 799, helped plant 200

trees in the wetland at Cook Park this spring. So far, this has been a busy year for volunteers in Tigard. There were blackberry vines and weeds to be cleared, streams to be cleaned, trees to be planted, streets, paths and trails to be tidied up; even the ballard posts in Cook Park got painted. Many people have been involved — individuals, employee groups, students, churches, alumni groups and families worked alongside



city staff to help get their town "looking good" for the summer. Although these volunteers could have used all those hours in other ways, the Tigard community is a better place to live and work because they pitched in. Volunteers--thank you and keep up the good work!

Volunteers needed to spread the word about water quality

Are you looking for a good dry-weather volunteer activity for your group or organization? How about stenciling reminders near street catch basins and distributing neighborhood educational materials about the connection between pollutants, storm drains and water quality.

Tigard is fortunate to be part of the Tualatin watershed. This means that we are all responsible for the health of the tributaries and wetlands within Tigard. Unless we are careful, chemicals and pollutants from lawns, flowerbeds and streets are washed – unfiltered – into the storm drain system, and ultimately, the watershed.

For more information about water quality volunteer opportunities, contact Volunteer Coordinator Susan Koepping (*susan@ci.tigard.or.us*, 503-639-4171, ext. 2402) or Water Quality Program Coordinator Sally Mills (*sally@ci.tigard.or.us*, 503-639-4171, ext. 2604).

Congratulations to Jaime Dumdi, Employee of the Month for June!

Jaime is an Administrative Specialist II in the Public Works Department. She started working for the city in October of 2000. She was chosen for this award because she always provides excellent customer service to both the public and her co-workers. Jaime is responsible for helping citizens with park reservations, a challenging task given the great demand for city parks and their facilities. She also makes sure that all of her department's accounts are paid in a timely manner. Her co-workers value her positive attitude, cooperation and pleasant character. Thanks for doing a great job, Jaime!



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Tigard City Council Action Recap!

For additional information or if you have any questions about any of the items listed below, please contact City Recorder Cathy Wheatley at 503-639-4171, ext. 2410. A copy of Council packet information can be found on the city's web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us or at the library. Audio and video tape recordings of most meetings are also available at the library.

City Council Meeting highlights for the past month

- Approved the Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2002-20003.
- Conducted public hearings to certify that the city provides services qualifying for state share revenues and to declare that the city elects to receive state revenues.
- Conducted a public hearing to consider the 2002-2003 City of Tigard Budget.
- Considered a resolution to adopt a new fee schedule for land use applications.
- Discussed a three-year plan regarding water rate adjustment and considered a resolution adjusting the water rate.

- Heard an update on Tigard water supply options.
- Discussed Washington County/City of Tigard cooperative projects with Washington County Land Use and Transportation Director Kathy Lehtola.
- Heard an update on the downtown commuter rail meeting.
- Heard an update on Community Development Code amendments to implement the Transportation System Plan.
- Heard an update from the Skateboard Park Task Force.
- Considered acceptance of the Summerlake and Bonita Park Master Plans,
- Conducted a public hearing concerning an increased assessment for the Metzger Park Local Improvement District.

Future Council Agenda Items

- Hear an overview of the activities of the Police Department.
- Consider a resolution to issue library bonds.
- Review Council groundrules.
- Discuss Washington Square Regional Plan funding strategy and implementation program.
- Hear an update on the Affordable Housing Plan.
- Hear an update on the street maintenance fee.

- Hear an update on the Hispanic Youth Initiative.
- Preview plans for the Tigard Blast celebration in downtown.
- Conduct a public hearing on amending the Development Code on Mixed-Use Residential land use requirements.
- Hear an update on survey results concerning potential annexation of a portion of the Bull Mountain area.